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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the prescribing and dispensing authority of
2 practitioners.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 prescribing authority of a prescribing practitioner during a
2 public health disaster in a way that acts as a deterrent for
3 the practitioner to use a medication or treatment in accordance
4 with the practitioner's best professional judgment.

5 The bill also provides that any restriction by an employer
6 of a prescribing practitioner that is prohibited under the
7 bill, whether or not documented by the employer as part of
8 a contract, agreement, or employee handbook, by an amendment
9 to any such document, or by any other means, is unenforceable
10 and shall not be the basis for any disciplinary action by the
11 employer. The bill defines "prescribing practitioner" and
12 "public health disaster" for the purposes of the bill.

13 The bill also provides that the prescribing of ivermectin or
14 hydroxychloroquine by a physician for the treatment of COVID-19
15 shall not be grounds for licensee discipline.